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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, ETRD, ECON, HON, NU

SUBJECT: SUGAR PURCHASE

REFERENCE: A) MANAGUA 3548; B) TEGUCIGALPA 3255

C) TEGUCIGALPA 3269; D) TEGUCIGALPA 3284

1. DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HAS NO SUGAR AVAILABLE, NOR DOES GUYANA WITH WHOM WE ALSO CHECKED. PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION TO SOMOZA.

2. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT, UNLESS COSTA RICA OR EL SALVADOR, HAVE SUGAR AVAILABLE, NICARAGUA MIGHT BE THE ONLY POTENTIAL SOURCE, GIVEN THE TIME SQUEEZE. SINCE LOPEZ HAS TOLD BOTH SOMOZA AND AMBASSADOR SANCHEZ (REF A) THAT THE CUBAN SUGAR TRANSACTION IS REVERSIBLE, THERE MIGHT STILL BE ROOM TO NEGOTIATE AN ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENT; PERHAPS A SALE OR BARTER OF A LESSER AMOUNT OF SUGAR WHICH WOULD SATISFY HONDURAN NEEDS AND NOT SERIOUSLY IMBALANCE NICARAGUAN EXPORT PROJECTIONS. WE SUGGEST YOU RAISE THIS POSSIBILITY WITH SOMOZA AND ENCOURAGE HIM TO CONTINUE CONTACTS WITH

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